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Response to Amendment

The reply filed on 31 January 2006 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): election is drawn to species V and claim 10 – the Office would like to draw to the applicant's attention the dependency of claim 10 upon claim 9 which applicant reserved the right to file a divisional for. Perhaps the applicant intended to elect claims 9 and 10, since 10 depends on 9. A response indicative of the appropriate elected claims is appreciated. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

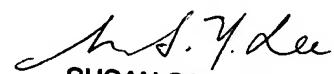
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